

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1,2, 4–10, and 12.

Claims 1-2 (canceled)

3. (currently amended) A refuse bag supporting device comprising:
a plurality of refuse bag supporting members;
a plurality of corner members joining the refuse bag supporting member end to end
to define a refuse bag supporting frame;
a plurality of legs for positioning the refuse bag supporting frame in a plurality of
orientations including a substantially horizontal orientation and a substantially vertical orientation;
means for supporting each of the legs on the frame for pivotal movement with respect
thereto between a first orientation wherein the leg extends perpendicularly relative to the frame at
a second orientation wherein the leg extends parallel relative to the frame;
each of the legs comprising a relatively large diameter tubular member and a
relatively small diameter tubular member which is slidably received in the relatively large diameter
tubular member;
means for selectively retaining each of the legs in an extended configuration and in
a retracted configuration relative to the frame;

the means for pivotally supporting the legs on the frame comprising a plurality of L-
shaped members each extending between one of the corner members of the frame and one of the
legs;

~~The refuse bag supporting device according to claim 2 wherein~~

at least one of the L-shaped members supports supporting one of the legs relatively outwardly with respect to the frame;

and wherein

at least one of the L-shaped members supports supporting one of the legs relatively inwardly with respect to the frame.

4. (canceled)

5. (canceled)

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9. (canceled)

10. (canceled)

11. (currently amended) A refuse bag supporting device comprising:

a plurality of refuse bag supporting members;

a plurality of corner members joining the refuse bag supporting member end to end

to define a refuse bag supporting frame;

a plurality of legs for positioning the refuse bag supporting frame in a plurality of orientations including a substantially horizontal orientation and a substantially vertical orientation;

means for supporting each of the legs on the frame for pivotal movement with respect thereto between a first orientation wherein the leg extends perpendicularly relative to the frame at a second orientation wherein the leg extends parallel relative to the frame;

each of the legs comprising a relatively large diameter tubular member and a relatively small diameter tubular member which is slidably received in the relatively large diameter tubular member;

means for selectively retaining each of the legs in an extended configuration and in a retracted configuration relative to the frame; and

The refuse bag supporting device according to claim 8 wherein the

refuse bag retaining means comprises comprising a plurality of apertures mounted on the frame for receiving a refuse bag thereover and a plurality of plugs each individual to one of the apertures for securing the refuse bag into engagement therewith.

12. (canceled)